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Mr. Joe Taylor  
Yost, Utah 84341

Dear Joe:

The State Engineer has advised this office that you have been diverting water during the non-irrigation season without a proper water right. He has advised the Attorney General that on previous occasions he notified you in writing that your diversion during the Winter months for stockwatering purposes and contrary to the express instructions of the George Creek Water Commissioner is illegal. Also, that you have, on some occasions, violated the Water Commissioner's instructions and have continued to divert water. He has stated that in October of this year his Area Engineer from Logan personally inspected the George Creek System and closed your headgate, but that you have since re-opened the headgate and have been using water.

Therefore, the State Engineer has requested this office to initiate legal proceedings to stop this illegal practice. The purpose of this letter is to request that you voluntarily cease the diversion and use of water during the Winter months without the express consent of the George Creek Water Commissioner. I am sending a copy of this letter to the Commissioner and requesting that he advise me of any further violations of the State Engineer's directive.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please advise me.

Sincerely yours,

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George Creek Water Commissioner  
Yost, Utah 84341

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